

Application No. 09/873,267  
Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 dated October 14, 2004  
Response to the Office Action of July 14, 2004

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A method of retrieving a part information of a production machine, the method ~~being characterized by comprising:~~

retrieving ~~the machine~~ part information ~~by using from~~ a disc-shaped portable mass-storage medium having ~~the machine~~ part information of the production machine recorded thereon, ~~which machine part information comprises information on parts of the production machine, and also;~~

inputting retrieval conditions; and

~~using data processing equipment including retrieval means for retrieving a part information from corresponding to said machine part information, copied from the disc-shaped portable mass-storage medium, depending on the retrieval conditions, in order to input the retrieval conditions to the data processing equipment.~~

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A method of retrieving a part information of a production machine according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that said data processing equipment is wherein said~~ steps are performed on a portable personal computer.

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Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A method of retrieving a part ~~information~~ of a production machine according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that said data processing equipment is~~ wherein said steps are performed on a numerical controller for controlling the production machine ~~machines~~.